CHAPTER NO. 299

HOUSE BILL NO. 1104

By Representatives McMillan, Maddox

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 696

By Senators Fowler, Bryson, Black, Kurita

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to JROTC instruction.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-5-108(c), is amended by adding the following language as new subdivision (4):

(4) Active or retired military personnel who seek to serve as junior reserve officers' training corps ("JROTC") instructors shall be licensed to teach JROTC and military science in grades nine through twelve (9-12) based on documented military JROTC certification issued upon successful completion of all JROTC preparation requirements specific to the person's branch of military service. JROTC instructors so licensed shall not be licensed to teach courses other than JROTC and military science and LEAs shall not employ persons licensed only as JROTC instructors to teach courses other than JROTC or military science. Such restrictions to licensure, however, shall not impinge the granting of state-approved equivalency credits received through a JROTC or military science course.

SECTION 2. Any one-time software reprogramming costs associated with the addition of this license shall be absorbed within existing resources.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 18, 2005

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 6th day of June 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR